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LOUIS G.)

SUBJECT: UNESCO/UNDP ORIENTATION VISITS BY LOUIS G.
SLEEPER, U.S. PERM DEL/UNESCO.

REFERENCE: STATE 215583.

1. DEPARTMENT AND AID/W HAVE AUTHORIZED FIELD ORIENTATI-
ON VISITS TO OBSERVE UNESCO/UNDP PROJECTS IN AFGHANI-
STAN, THAILAND AND REPUBLIC OF KOREA, SUBJECT TO POST
CONCURRENCES, FOR LOUIS G. SLEEPER, ATTACHE FOR DEVELOP-
MENT AFFAIRS, U.S. PERMANENT DELEGATION TO UNESCO, PARIS
FRANCE. WOULD APPRECIATE POST CONCURRENCES TO VISIT
AFGHANISTAN O/A WEEK OF NOVEMBER 9; THAILAND O/A WEEK
OF NOVEMBER 16 AND 21; AND KOREA O/A WEEK OF DECEMBER 1
. WASHINGTON ESPECIALLY RECOMMENDED VISITING AFGHANISTAN
AND REPUBLIC OF KOREA. THAILAND INCLUDED BECAUSE OF
LARGE UNESCO REGIONAL EDUCATION OFFICE AND ASIAN CENTER
FOR EDUCATION INNOVATIONS PLUS MANY UNESCO COUNTRY
PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED FOR UNDP AND WORLD BANK.

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2. PURPOSE IS TO VISIT PROJECTS UNESCO EXECUTES FOR UNDP

, WORLD BANK, OR OTHERS, AND OBTAIN VIEWS EMBASSY, USAID, UNDP, AND COUNTRY OFFICIALS ON UNESCO'S DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE. AS PART USG EFFORTS TO OBTAIN BETTER DEVELOPMENT PERFORMANCE INFORMATION ON UN SPECIALIZED AGENCIES, ATTACHE DEVELOPMENT AFFAIRS WAS ESTABLISHED IN U.S. PERMDEL UNESCO IN 1973. SLEEPER IS CHARGED WITH MAKING SEVERAL ORIENTATION TRIPS ANNUALLY, GIVING PRIORITY TO UN DESIGNATED 25 LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. CURRENT PROPOSED TRIP TO ASIA IS FIFTH IN SERIES OF ASSESSMENT VISITS, AND SECOND VISIT TO THIS REGION. PRIOR ASIA VISIT IN 1974 INCLUDED PHILIPPINES, INDONESIA, NEPAL AND PAKISTAN.

3. SLEEPER THROUGH MEETINGS WITH NATIONAL, BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL OFFICIALS AND VISITS TO PROJECT SITES SEEKS IDENTIFY CONCRETE EXAMPLES OF AND UNDERLYING REASONS FOR UNESCO'S SUCCESSES SO THAT THEY CAN BE SUPPORTED AND ALSO OF UNESCO'S SHORTFALLS AND WEAKNESSES SO THAT U.S. CAN SEEK WAYS TO ALLEVIATE THEM IN VARIOUS U.S. AND UN FORA.

4. //HE PROPOSES MEETING WITH UNESCO EXPERTS AND COUNTERPARTS, INCLUDING PROJECT ACTIVITIES LOCATED OUTSIDE CAPITAL CITIES IN EACH COUNTRY WHERE THIS IS APPROPRIATE AND FEASIBLE. ALSO PROPOSES VISITING SELECTED UNDP PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED BY OTHER UN SPECIAL AGENCIES IN ORDER TO COMPARE UNESCO APPROACHES AND PERFORMANCE WITH SISTER UN AGENCIES. THESE MIGHT INCLUDE INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS BY FAO, SKILLS TRAINING PROJECTS BY ILO, OR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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PROJECTS BY UNIDO.

5. BEFORE VISITING PROJECTS WOULD HOPE TO RECEIVE GENERAL BRIEFINGS FROM APPROPRIATE EMBASSY, USAID, UNDP AND HOST COUNTRY OFFICIALS ON COUNTRY'S OVERALL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, ON ROLE OF UNDP WITHIN THAT PROGRAM, AND ON ROLE AND PERFORMANCE OF UNESCO WITHIN UNDP COUNTRY PROGRAM. ILLUSTRATIVE LIST OF INFORMATION SOUGHT DURING THESE MEETINGS WILL BE PROVIDED LATER.

6. WOULD HOPE THAT EMBASSY OR USAID COULD ARRANGE MEETINGS WITH APPROPRIATE LOCAL OFFICIALS AND WITH UNDP. WOULD EXPECT THAT UNDP ARRANGE MEETINGS WITH UNESCO AND OTHER UN EXPERTS AND WITH HOST COUNTRY COUNTERPARTS IN UNDP FINANCED PROJECTS.

7. UPON RECEIPT OF POST CONCURRENCES WILL ADVISE OF EXACT DATES OF ARRIVAL AND FLIGHT INFORMATION. ALSO REQUEST POST PREFERENCE FOR WE MAKING HOTEL ARRANGEMENTS FOR SLEEPER FROM PARIS OR IF LOCAL EMBASSY WOULD MAKE SINGLE ROOM HOTEL RESERVATIONS. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE KNOWING NAMES OF EMBASSY OR USAID CONTACT OFFICERS
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TO REACH AFTER ARRIVAL.

8. FOR USMISSION USUN NEW YORK.
FOR EARLIER VISITS TO ASIA IN 1974 AND WEST AFRICA 1975, IT WAS VERY HELPFUL THAT UNDP HEADQUARTERS CABLED RESREPS ADVISING THEM OF ORIENTATION VISIT.

WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF UNDP COULD INFORM RESREPS AFGHANISTAN, THAILAND AND REPUBLIC OF KOREA OF SLEEPER'S PROPOSED NEXT VISIT TO ASIA DURING NOVEMBER AND EARLY DECEMBER AND THAT AMERICAN EMBASSIES AND UNESCO HEADQUARTERS WILL BE GIVING THEM MORE INFORMATION.
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